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NEWS RELEASE

The International Bridge Administration today announced that one-way traffic crossings of the International Bridge at Sault Ste. Marie totaled 191,621 for the month of August, 2004. This represents a decrease of 10.82% as compared to August, 2003.

Traffic statistics for the month are as follows:

Vehicle Classification	One-Way Crossings	Change from August, 2003	Percent of Total Crossings
Full-Fare Passenger Cars:	111,108	-14.1%	58.0%
Commuter Fare:	57,302	-6.3%	29.9%
Car Pulling Trailers	11,264	-16.9%	5.9%
Commercial Trucks:	11,947	10.8%	6.2%
Totals:	191,621		100%

Traffic for calendar year 2004 has totaled 1,247,712 vehicles; this represents a decrease of 2.7% as compared to 2003. Since the bridge opened in 1962, over 76,380,000 vehicles have crossed the structure.

Sincerely,

International Bridge Administration

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